

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Naoki Soeda

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME Technology Center 2600 UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2002. The One-Month Extension fee \$110.00 is included in the total fee for filing the RCE for the above-identified application, a check for which accompanies this submission. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

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